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COMPOSITION NICKEL-IRON ALLOY MAGNETIC POLES"**

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This Preliminary Amendment is submitted with a Divisional Application of copending patent application Serial No. 09/952,741, filed September 13, 2001.

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This application is a divisional application of copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/952,741 filed September 13, 2001 which is a Continuation-In-Part application of U.S. Patent Application 09/839,901, filed April 20, 2001.--

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